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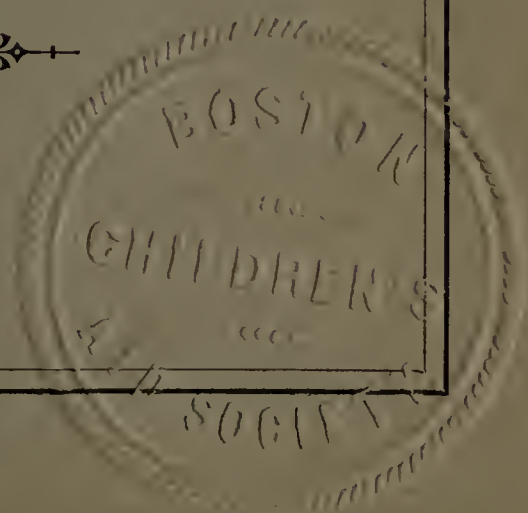


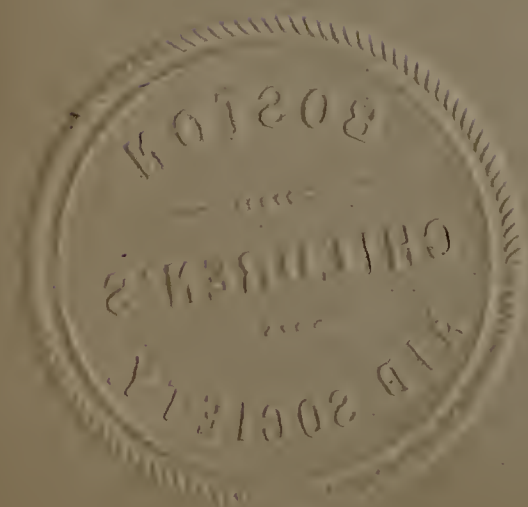
REPORT

OF THE

GWYNNE TEMPORARY HOME FOR CHILDREN

1895





ANNUAL REPORT
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OF THE
GWYNNE TEMPORARY HOME FOR CHILDREN

NO. 46 WORCESTER STREET, BOSTON.

FOR THE YEAR 1895.

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1896.

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REPORT.

IN presenting a brief sketch of the work of the Home for 1895, we are glad to report a satisfactory year.

Although the number of children admitted does not equal that of the previous year, yet for this very reason we have been enabled, in cases where our aid has been greatly needed, to extend the time usually allotted for assistance.

A few instances of such assistance rendered during the year we think will interest our friends.

A little child less than two years of age, who had been deserted by her mother owing to a disagreement with the father, was brought to us by a missionary and remained until the parents became reconciled.

In January we received two little sisters, whose parents through drink had become incapable of providing for them. The mother was apparently a weak-minded woman, and although brought up in a home of refinement, became, through the influence of her husband, addicted like him to drink, and died while her children were with us. The children remained in our Home several months, until they could be placed in a permanent institution.

One of our boys (now sixteen years old), who was

adopted from the Home in his infancy, this year returned to us asking to be taken back, as he objected to farm life. The circumstances were such that we felt justified in letting him remain, and he is now learning a trade for which he seems better adapted.

One of our most interesting cases is that of a boy who when small became a deaf mute, and although he was an attractive child, this defect proved an obstacle to our procuring a home for him. We have, therefore, clothed and cared for him since he came to us, twelve years ago. He is being educated at the Clarke Institution, and each year when he returns to us during his vacation we see a marked improvement, as he is gradually but surely acquiring the art of speech.

We give a few extracts from letters received during the year, from those who have had their homes brightened by little ones taken from the Home : —

“Little Gladys is well, and fills a place in our home that would be indeed desolate but for her.”

“Our baby grows each day more into our affections; we hardly think that we could keep house without her now. We find her of a yielding disposition, needing thoughtful and tender treatment, repaying us with most loving baby ways.”

“I write to ask if you have a baby boy that in your judgment would be a suitable child for us to take to bring up with our little girl. We think her a smart, bright child, but do not think it wise to bring her up alone. Of course we want the boy to be bright and smart like her.”

“We think we are very fortunate in finding such a nice baby, and hope she will be as fortunate in her home. I realize that food and clothing are but a small part in care

of a child, and shall try and do my best to make her a pure, lovable woman."

Except in the cases of two infants who died, each at the age of about one year, and a few mild cases of diphtheria, the health of the children has been generally good during the year. Our sincere thanks are due to Dr. E. L. Twombly, for his always kind and ready response in sickness, and to Dr. G. A. Webster, for relieving little sufferers from ear trouble. We are also indebted to Rev. D. W. Wol-dron for a picnic at Franklin Park and for remembrances at Easter; to the Fresh Air Fund, from which, through Mayor Curtis, we received fifteen hundred car tickets giving our children a great many outings during July and August; and to the Young Men's Christian Union, for carriage rides, which are very much enjoyed by our nursery children.

As the invested funds as yet suffice to yield an income of only about one half the expenses of the Home, we must continue to rely largely upon the generosity of our subscribers and other contributors and friends, to whom, one and all, we again, in behalf of the children, tender grateful thanks.

As no inconsiderable sum is spent annually for clothing, much can be saved for us by contributions of articles for children's wear, which will always, as heretofore, be gladly received.

Children in the Home, Dec. 21, 1894	.	.	.	32
Received during the year	217
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Placed in other institutions	29
Placed for adoption	14
Returned to parents or friends	164
Died	2
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						209
Remaining in Home, Dec. 30, 1895	40
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SUBSCRIBERS AND DONORS,

From Jan. 1, 1895, to Jan. 1, 1896.

Alden, John E.	\$5 00	Covel, Mrs. A. S.	\$5 00
Appleton, Mrs. William	5 00	Crane, Joshua	5 00
Ayres, Miss A. C.	5 00	Cummings, Mrs. C. A.	5 00
Ayres, Mrs. John	5 00	Cunningham, Mrs. J. H.	5 00
Balch, F. V.	5 00	Curtis, Mrs. Greely S.	20 00
Barnes, Charles B.	10 00	Curtis, Miss Isabella P.	3 00
Bartol, Miss E. H.	5 00	Daggett, Mrs. Henry L.	2 00
Beal, Mrs. James H.	5 00	Davis, Mrs. B. C.	25 00
Beebe, Mrs. J. Arthur	10 00	Dutton, Lydia W.	5 00
Bigelow, Mrs. Horatio	5 00	Dutton, Mary M.	5 00
Blackmar, Mr. and Mrs. W. W.	10 00	Eliot, Samuel	10 00
Blake, S. P.	5 00	Endicott, William, Jr.	25 00
Bouvé, T. T.	10 00	Evans, Mrs. C. W.	2 00
Bradlee, Miss Eliza W.	2 00	Faulkner, Miss F. M.	10 00
Bradlee, Miss Helen C.	50 00	Faulkner, Mrs. Charles	10 00
Brown, Miss Elizabeth B.	10 00	Federated Hebrew Charities	50 00
Brown, Mrs. James	5 00	Fellowes, Miss Charlotte	3 00
Brown, T. Hassall	5 00	Fenno, Isaac	10 00
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Callender, Mrs. Henry	5 00	Garrison, F. J.	2 00
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Cary, Miss Ellen G.	10 00	Glover, C. L.	10 00
Chapman, Jane E. C.	2 00	Goddard, Miss Matilda	5 00
Cheney, Mrs. Ednah D.	5 00	Gray, Russell	5 00
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Clarke, Mrs. Eliot C.	10 00	Hayward, Mrs. G. P.	5 00
Clarke, Mrs. J. Freeman	10 00	Hecht, J. H.	5 00
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Coolidge, Mrs. H. H.	5 00	Hooper, Edward W.	25 00
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Cotton, Elizabeth A.	5 00		
Cotton, Walter G.	5 00		

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Hope Chapel	\$10 00	Ridgeway, Miss	\$1 00
Hubbard, Mrs. Eliot	5 00	Robbins, Mrs. R. E.	10 00
Johnson, Samuel	5 00	Rogers, Mrs. William B.	5 00
Kidder, Mrs. Henry P.	10 00	Rust, Mrs. William A.	2 00
Kidder, Henry T.	10 00	Sargent, James O.	10 00
Lee, Henry	20 00	Sears, Mrs. K. W.	10 00
Lockwood, Rhodes	5 00	Sears, Mrs. P. H.	10 00
Lodge, Mrs. John E.	10 00	Shattuck, George O.	5 00
Loring, Mrs. W. C.	25 00	Shaw, Mrs. G. H.	10 00
Lovering, Mrs. C. T.	5 00	Shaw, Mrs. Quincy A.	50 00
Lowell, Mrs. George G.	10 00	Stetson, Mrs. E. F.	200 00
Lowell, Mrs. Lucy B.	10 00	Stone, Mrs. F.	5 00
Lyman, Arthur T.	10 00	Storer, Misses	5 00
Lyman, Mrs. George H.	10 00	Stratton, Mrs.	1 00
Manning, Mrs. F. C.	5 00	Thayer, Mrs. N., Sr.	100 00
Marston, S. W.	5 00	Thorndike, Mrs. J. H.	10 00
Mass. Charitable Fire Association .	100 00	Tompkins, Mrs. O.	3 00
May, Miss Eleanor G.	5 00	Torrey, Miss A. D.	5 00
May, J. J.	2 00	Tuckerman, Mrs. C. S.	5 00
Merriam, Charles	5 00	Turner, Miss Abby W.	25 00
Minot, Dr. F.	5 00	Turner, Miss Alice M.	25 00
Morgan, Mrs. J. P., Jr.	10 00	Unity Church Sunday School, North	
Morison, Mrs. J. H.	5 00	Easton	31 36
Morse, Mrs. S. T.	10 00	Wadsworth, Mrs. A. F.	10 00
Nichols, Miss Mary P.	5 00	Wainwright, Miss Rebecca P.	5 00
Noyes, Miss C. P.	5 00	Ware, Mrs. Charles E.	25 00
Paine, The Misses	10 00	Warren, Miss Cornelia	5 00
Parker, Miss Alice Q.	5 00	Warren, Mrs. Richard	3 00
Parkman, Miss E. W. S.	5 00	Weld, Mrs. Moses W.	20 00
Parsons, Miss Martha	3 00	Weld, Otis E.	5 00
Peabody, F. H.	15 00	Wells, Mrs. E. S.	5 00
Peters, E. D.	10 00	Wheelwright, Edward	10 00
Pickering, Henry	25 00	Wheelwright, George W.	10 00
Pickman, Mrs. D. L.	25 00	White, Charles G.	5 00
Powers, Mrs. George C.	5 00	Whitman, Henry	10 00
Prang, L.	5 00	Whitmore, C. J.	5 00
R.	50 00	Whitney, D. R.	100 00
Randall, Mrs. B. L.	3 00	Whitney, Mrs. H. M.	5 00
Ranney, Fletcher	5 00	Whitwell, Miss S. L.	5 00
Read, Miss S. E.	10 00	Williams, Miss Adelia C.	10 00
Reed, Mrs. B. T.	5 00	Williams, Miss Ann D.	3 00
Richards, H. N.	5 00	Williams, J. D.	50 00
		Young, Charles L.	10 00

DONATIONS TO THE HOME FOR 1895.

First Parish Benevolent Society, Dorchester. — Two hundred garments.

Hale Union, Newton Centre. — Magazines and illustrated papers.

Miss M. K. Lincoln. — Books.

Trinity Church Employment Society. — Fifty garments.

Mrs. William H. Whitmore. — Toys, chairs, clothing, and games.

Mrs. Quincy Shaw. — Several donations, flowers.

King's Chapel Employment Society. — One hundred garments.

Miss Ann Williams. — Twenty-one aprons made by herself.

Mr. A. T. Baker. — Blocks and games.

Church of the Disciples, Ladies' Benevolent Society. — Eighteen infants' slips.

Mrs. C. F. Hutchins. — Donation, toys.

Sewing Society, through Miss Lucy Parsons. — Thirty garments.

Mrs. John Ayres. — Infants' sacks and mittens knit by herself.

All Souls' Benevolent Society, Roxbury. — Sixty-two garments.

Mrs. Augustus Flagg. — Donation, clothing.

Mr. Grenville H. Norcross. — Furniture, clothing, and carpeting.

First Church Employment Society. — Eighty garments.

Miss G. Lowell. — Clothing.

Mrs. W. W. Blackmar. — Children's hats, fruit, clothing and school-room supplies.

Second Church, Copley Sq. — Fifty-four garments.

Cambridge Sewing Club. — Thirty-nine garments.

- Mrs. S. E. Carpenter. — Clothing.
Mr. F. G. May. — Flowers, fruit, milk, and vegetables.
Mrs. Chas. E. Ware. — Thirty garments.
First Parish Benevolent Society, Hingham Centre. — Eighty-three garments.
The Ellis Memorial Club. — Scrap-books.
Lend-a-Hand Club and Sewing Society of Unity Church, No. Easton. — Clothing, shoes, books, dolls and playthings.
The Barbour Bros. Co. — Paper dolls.
Channing Circle of Arlington St. Church. — Twenty-four garments.
Parker Memorial. — Fruit and flowers.
Mrs. G. W. Wheelwright, Jr. — Boys' clothing.
Mrs. R. H. Stevenson. — Clothing.
Miss A. L. Balch. — Fruit.
Miss S. G. Andrews. — Infants' clothing.
Boston Sewing Circle. — Seventy-two garments.
Miss E. B. Brown. — Picture for the nursery.
Boston Flower Mission. — Several donations of flowers.
Mrs. F. W. Chandler. — Clothing.
Miss Abby Turner. — Crib and bedding.
Needle-Women's Friend Society. — Forty-two garments.
Miss Nannie T. Creel. — Paper dolls.
Mrs. R. B. Fairbairn. — Boys' clothing.

THANKSGIVING.

- Mrs. Joseph Lyman. — Turkey and plum pudding.
Tremont St. M. E. Church. — Turkeys and cranberries.
Two turkeys from unknown friends.

CHRISTMAS.

- The Misses Storer. — Toys and clothing.
Miss Eleanor May. — Books.
Mrs. Moses W. Weld. — Dressed dolls, mittens, and scrap-books.

Mrs. Chas. Torrey. — Rubber toys for nursery and box candy.

Mr. S. E. Carpenter. — Picture books and the amount of five dollars in candy, fruit, nuts, and assorted crackers.

Mrs. G. W. Wheelwright, Jr. — Turkey.

Mrs. S. M. Crosby. — Two dollars for toys for the nursery.

Lend-a-Hand Club and Sunday School of No. Easton. — Clothing, books, toys, and games.

Omaha Beef Co. — Two turkeys.

Clothing, games, toys, and candy from unknown friends.

Miss E. H. Bartol. — Six pair blankets, \$12.60, for Bartol Room.

Miss Matilda Goddard. — Six pair blankets, \$18.00, for Goddard Room.

First Church. — Six pair blankets, \$12.60, for the Ellis Room.

Mrs. G. F. T. Reed. — Six pair blankets, \$18.00, for the Reed-Wheeler Room.

